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For: ERROR CONCEALMENT OF VIDEO DATA
USING TEXTURE DATA RECOVERY

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 10, 2004, please amend allowable Claim 9 to be in independent form as indicated below. New Claim 26 has also been added.

The following remarks are submitted. Claims 1-3, 5-8, 11-14, and 17-25 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being obvious over Brailean et al. (USPN 5,724,369) in view of Zhao et al. (USPA 2003/0067981), and Claims 4, 15, and 16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being obvious over Brailean et al. in view of Zhao et al. and further in view of Talhuni et al. (USPN 6,111,916). Claims 9 and 10 have been indicated as reciting allowable subject matter.

It is respectfully submitted that the proposed combination of references would not arrive at, e.g., Claim 1, which requires evaluating smoothness of error concealment starting at a particular macroblock, then successively adding one macroblock at a time, evaluating, and so on until all macroblocks in the texture

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